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1. The former chief of SNB, Varis BESPALOV (cf MGB-3308/BSC-744, MGB-3983/BSC-777, MGB-3982/BSC-778) has been recalled to Russia to a propaganda post. He has been replaced by a man named KOLTYPIN (cf MGB-4191/BSC-800).

2. Personnel Chief: NIKITIN.

3. Communications Chief: ROSENSTECHER.

4. a. Chief of German Section: FAKTOROVICH.

Source Comment: Also believed to be in charge of liaison between SNB and ADN.

b. German personnel in German Section: (cf MGB-3508/BSC-755).

STRINBUCHEL. A former merchant. Poor editor. Elderly. Opportunist.

ARENDT. A Russian intelligence agent. Formerly wrote articles for the Education Section. Poor writer. Deserted to the Russian Army during the war, and spent remainder of war in Russia. Fanatic communist. Unpleasant appearance. According to source, near death from tuberculosis.

5. Chief of Information Section: RUBIN (cf MGB-3912/BSC-774). According to source, this is the intelligence section of SNB, engaging in running agents under press cover, compiling reports on the Russian Zone, and performing MVD functions within the structure of SNB.

6. a. Chief of Foreign Section: MARKANTOV.

b. German personnel in Foreign Section (Auslandsdienst): (cf MGB-3508/BSC-755).

NEBENZAHL

GRIFSHAMMER

WILLA (Possibly identical with one of the two WILLE's mentioned in MGB-3508/BSC-755).

GRONFAIN. Owns a bookstore on Friedrich Strasse (in first block south of Unter den Linden).

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7. Chief of Pictorial Service: MALISHEV
8. Librarian: CHERKESOV
9. Miscellaneous German Personnel: (cf MGB-3508/BSC-755).
BAGAMUL (or BAGEMUEHL). Department not known.
BAGANZ. Possibly assigned to the Education Section.

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